The Girl, a Horse and a Dog

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stopped we heard footsteps, and the squint at 'em."

you hear me?"

of range!" I snapped back.

already burt four of my men, and two | could pump the reloading lever.

He ignored this.

But how about the old man?"

"The old man's a-plenty good and Charley Bullerton!"

"All right, once more. You'll hear

that something we could neither see old-fashioned, stand-up fight. heard the wagon wheels,

wagon, Daddy-a Gatling?" he won't tell," was the old prospector's old prospector was fairly Berserk, so far gone as not to hear distinctly a somewhere inside of her clothes and reply, made with no touch of Irrever- mad, foaming at the mouth, and short prolonged and rumbling crash like the held it out to me. ence; and the words were scarcely out of dragging him out by main strength thunder of a small Niagara, coming "There is the deed to your mine,

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struck the shafthouse.

Tit for Tat.

us couldn't be compared to anything | could get out of him. milder than thunder and lightning. There was a flash, a rending, ripping roar as if the solid earth were splitting in two, and the air was filled with flying fragments and splinters. Air, I say, but the acrid, choking gas which filled the shafthouse could scarcely be called air.

"Dynamite-that's what they fetched in that wagon!" gurgled the old man at my side, and I could have shouted for joy at the mere sound of his voice, and shaft mouth. Knowing the use interruption. Shots, yells, shoutings and feel that you're needin' a little Some twenty feet down, and on the after the pumping demonstration had since it was an assurance that he hadn't been killed outright,

"It's only a question of a little time. now, Daddy," I prophesled. "What had fairly lighted upon the roof. you said yesterday—that Bullerton would try to get possession without destroying the property-no longer holds good. He has evidently decided that we've got to be ousted, even at the expense of building a new shafthouse and installing new machinery. Why has he changed his mind, when he knows that he could starve us out in a few days?"

"I been thinkin' about that, right p'intedly, Stannie. Shouldn't wonder if somethin's in the wind-somethin' we don't know about,"

"Then there's another thing," I put in. "Supposing, just for the sake of argument, that our first guess was right; that he did take Jeanie to Angels three days ago and that they were married there. You know your daughter, Daddy, and I know her, a little. Nobody but an idiot would suppose that she'd live with Bullerton as his wife for a single minute if he makes himself your murderer."

"It sure does look that-away to a man up a tree," admitted the stout old fighter.

"I'm hanging on to the little hope like a dog to a root, Daddy," I confessed. "If I can only keep on believing that they're not married, I can put up a better fight, or be snuffed out-if I have to be-with a good few less heart-burnings."

But at this the old man, who, no longer ago than the yesterday, had seemed to lean definitely toward the no-marriage hypothesis, changed front.

"Don't you go to bankin' on anything like that, Stannie, son," he said right now, Stannie, my son. We'd be in a tone of deep discouragement, moggin' up the golden stair and a-won-"Charley Bullerton's a liar, from the derin' how much farther it was to the sailed the nostrils. All the world was is surely unique, but this is prescribed an out-door race along the mine ledge cate to get on the ground quickly, preplace where they make liars for a New Jerusalem, and what kind o' a weird, unnatural tint, hard to name, by the best Chinese doctors. Pigs' to the eastward; a hundred-yards pared to forestall by purchase, guile, livin', and 'tain't goin' to be no trick harps they was goin' to give us when never to be forgotten. The far hori- feet and deer's tendons are prescribed dash which brought us to the banks or, in the last resort by force, any ata-tall for him to make Jeanie, and a we got there. We sure would." lor o' other folks, b'lieve that we We didn't keep our heads out very passed slowly and thickened the veil headache and giddiness. Human flesh the right-hand gulch,

went with Bullerton?"

| seemed like hours and was probably | abrupt cliff overlooking the mine | ing man who had once interviewed me | out of the wreck-covered mine shaft. only a few minutes, we were momen- plant. Now the presence of a wagon on our tarily expecting another crash. It did | "They'll get the range, after a paused m nis combing of the moun- I took it, to get his breakfast before had thus presented themselves to the bench at this early hour in the morn- not come; but in due course of time while," Daddy grunted. "And when tains in search of me to usurp my he ran me off to jail, and the three of owners, who were Cripple Creek ing might mean either one of two we heard a stir outside and then they do, I reckon it'll be good-by, fair place at the Twomblys' breakfast ta- us fell to work clearing away the mining speculators who had bought in diametrically opposite things: Our voices, and one of the voices, which world, for a couple of us and one ble, this bewhiskered giant, with a faller timbers and roofing iron, Dad. the stock at a low figure while the A. E. F. comes natural to Levil Fraser. deliverance; or the upcoming of re- was not Bullerton's said: "I'll bet mighty good dog. I'm a-tellin' you, goodish bunch of followers-hard- dy Hiram leading the attack and be- main vein was as yet unexploited: they inforcements for the raiders. We were that ca'tridge smoked 'em out good an' Stannie, son, the shot that comes boiled to a man, they looked to be- ing the first to stick his head through could go on mining the ore and stornot left long in doubt. Shortly after plenty, cap'n. Gimme th' ax, Tom, till down through that hole fixes us a- had surrounded a fair half of the what remained of the tangle and hang ing it against the time when the railthe rack-rack of the wagon wheels we bu'st open the door an' have a plenty. Sufferin' Methusaleh! what- would-be "jumpers" and were hand- it over the edge of the shaft's mouth.

we heard Bullerton's voice, just out- wave of depression surged over me bangin' and whangin' go on up here self, square-jawed and peremptory, of a barrel; and then again, "Hooray, length of time, setting the losses of a side and apparently under our window and shoved me down so deep that I without comin' up to find out what's was shoving Bullerton up against the Stannie, son!-by the ghosts of old think possibly if Bullerton had called makin' it?" "Broughton!" the voice called; "can out and demanded our surrender I The Atropia that I remembered was irons upon his wrists and counseling Charley Bullerton's done gone and again. "So well that you'd better keep out that I was not so much of a hog as der it wasn't making any stir in our gled, to save up his troubles and tell do-dreened your mine for ye! Climb the plan of the robbery became per-"All right-listen. You've got to get the old man squeezed in beside me un- shots which seemed to originate on As we emerged from our wrecked empty-empty as a gourd-but, at among the speculators had evolved a out, Broughton—that's flat. I haven't der the arched boiler plate was made the great bench below began to sift fortress, other members of the posse that, she ain't goin' to be, very long!" scheme by which the mine not only wanted to go to extremes. For per- of better fiber; he was game to the in among the bomb echoes, I took it were scattering to round up the outfectly obvious and commonplace rea- last hair in his beard. With a wild- that Bullerton had divided his force lying bomb-throwers, who had appar- ous toil cleared the pit mouth so that val of waiting for the railroad to build war ended and he remained a major. sons I don't want to have to kill you Indian yell, he hunched his Winchester and was trying to rattle us two ways ently taken to the tall timber in a we could all see. The bomb which had over the bench, but at the same time If the end hadn't come he would probto get rid of you. But we are not go- into position and fired once, twice, at once, at once, at once, at once, at once, at once, the panic-stricken effort to escape. Down exploded in the shaft had wrought a be made to yield a bumper crop of ably be wearing a colonel's eagle at ing to gentle you any more. You've thrice, at the door, as rapidly as he bigger bombardment kept us from on the bench below there were horses complete transformation. The stand- profits.

time we hit you, it'll be for a finish." to this, but the aim was bad and the crackers had fallen to the right of us, was just slipping from the saddle. much as a fraction of an inch, was sell the mine to Grandfather Jasper Findlay, O., when war was declared. "Yes," said I. "You brought the only result was to set the air of our one of them into the wreck of the While I was wondering vaguely why gone, and with it had vanished the while I was still a going proposition; he started at the bottom of the Vernew club up in a wagon, didn't you?" | prison fortress to buzzing as if a blacksmith shop, to send up a spout- the Angels town marshal had let a two big centrifugals, the platform and this was done. But one of the erans' bureau and again worked up "We could starve you out if we loose on us. After this, the raiders ond or so later in a thunderous rain; errand, the boyish figure ran up the chose to take the time. I know pretty withdrew, so we judged; at all events, and then. . . . well what you've got to eat-or rather the silence of the dark hour before | For a flitting instant it seemed as if itself into Daddy Hiram's arms, gurwhat you haven't got. It's your privi- daybreak shut down upon us again, it must drop squarely in front of the gling and half crying and begging to lege to take your life in your own and once more we had space in which iron shield under which we were be told if he was hurt. hands, Broughton; that's up to you. to "gather our minds," as Daddy put jammed-in which case even the un- I didn't know at the time how much

able to speak for hisself!" yapped weakness to admit it, but I am free to would have said. But at the critical which were climaxing right there in Daddy. "You do your durndest, say that the prolonged struggle was point in its flight the hurtling thing the early morning sunshine on the old from us directly, now; and as I said write off the loss of the mine buildings ed the needed hair's-breadth, causing over to some of his deputies and had before, we've quit gentling you. That's and machinery, it was a battle lost for it to come down beyond the machin- them promptly hustled down stage For a time after this the silence, little time, and enough daylight to en- Nevertheless, we were cowering in an- on I was merely waiting for my cue, and the darkness, since it was the hour able the bombers to throw straight, ticipation of a blast which would most and I got it, or thought I got it when before dawn, were thick enough to be until we should be buried in the wreck likely heave the entire machinery ag- the boy who wasn't a boy slipped cut with an ax. But the dog was of the shafthouse and hoist-and with- gregation over bodily upon us when from Daddy's arms and faced me. more restless than ever, and we knew out the privilege of dying in a good, the explosion came.

while I asked the question that had Daddy Hiram, adding that, for Jeanle's the machinery barrier, taking a full visible. "Welcome home, Miss Twombeen worrying me ever since I had sake, if for no better reason, he ought half of the roof with it, as if the blast bly-or should I say Mrs. Bullerton?" "What did they bring up in that earth. As long as I live I shall tic cannon. We were dazed and deaf- deadly; you wouldn't think that vio-"The Lord only knows, Stannie and wrath of a mild-mannered man. The by the fumes, but neither of us was Then she drew a folded paper from of his mouth before a thunderbolt there was no way of making him let after the smash!

them hellions get this here mine, now!" That word "thunderbolt" is hardly they're goin' to dig a hole somewheres If there had been a dozen of the ing so forward and meddlesome."

prematurely; had exploded before it just outside of our wrecked fortress; fr stealin' that railroad car."

on the roof when it went off-we man suddenly gone dotty. wouldn't be lookin' up at that hole



blowed ourselves up with our own long. While we were staring up at of smoke. The distant mountain drew is supposed to be efficacious in the A brief search revealed precisely to know. dynamite. No, sir; don't you go to the hole and at the patch of sky be- daily back into dimmer dictance; be- case of certain illnesses, and young what I was expecting to find; what | The pushing of the fight for posses. "Then you do believe that Jeanie smoke-blue comet's tail trailing be- the sky and vanished completely. The moved to make medicine for a sick cedent would have expected to find. ing extremity was another matter that hind it crossed our line of sight, and horizon crouched then upon the bluffs father! "Looks like there ain't nothing else we ducked and held our breath-or at across the river, moved up to the line left to believe," he asserted dolefully. least, I held mine. The crash came of trees along its banks, blotted them "Look at it for yourself, son: she's almost immediately, and it was fol- out one day and impudently estabbeen gone three whole days. If she lowed in swift succession by a second lished itself halfway up the coulee. hadn't gone with him-and the good and a third. Luckily, none of the Time ceased to be measured accur- old as the first rich and greedy men. shaped whirlpool swirl into which a anybody come along to ask a lot o' Lord only knows where else she could three hit the shaft-house, nor, indeed, ately; events moved slowly in an un- One that took place some generations good third of the stream flow was plinted questions, he stood about one have gone don't you reckon she'd 've fell very near to it; and this uncer- real world of sultry heat and smoke ago was held at Carlton house, Pall vanishing. Below this pool an appar- chance in a dozen to lie out of it been back here long afore this? No, tainty of aim told us where the attack and a red sun wading heavily through Mall. There were over 2,000 guests, ently accidental heaping of rocks some way. If you-all got killed in the Stannie; we been lettin' the 'wish it was coming from. The bomb throw- the copper-brown sky from the east to and the two chief features of the oc- formed a small dam which kept the scrimmage, he'd scatter his men in the was' run away with the 'had to be.' I ers were posted somewhere on the the west, and a moon as red which casion were Big Sam, a porter eight little reservoir full. reckon we just got to grit our teeth, steep slope of the mountain above us; followed meekly after. During this waiting interval, which running up from the brink of the and when they met they talked of living gold and silver fish.

not to know when I had enough. But behalf; so, when a few pattering rifle them to the judge. speculating very curiously upon any. and horse-holders; and among the ing flood, which all of our oumping of the four are crippled. The next A spattering fusillade was the reply thing else. Two more of the giant horses one whose boyish-looking rider attacks had failed to lower by so swarm of angry bees had been turned ing volcano of scrap which fell a sec- mere boy come along on such a battle upon which they had stood, and their conditions of the sale (Beasley told us toward the top. His life has been

"No, sir; I done promised your in a thin, choked voice; "It went off the courtesy title. "You wouldn't gran'paw 'at I'd stand by for him, and down in the shaft! And, say!- take the trouble to go to Copah and he paid me money for doin' it. When what-all's that we're a-listenin' to get it recorded, so I thought I'd better

whereupon Daddy Hiram began paw-"If it hadn't-if it had been layin' ing his way to the door, yelling like a

"That there's old Ike Beasleydad-blame his old hide!" he chittered. | Beasley left me sitting on the door-He's come with a posse, and they're a pair of them on me-while he start- "That's just what we're going to for the recovery of the Cinnabar by

spreading itself out for us when we When he came back we took time, sling?" had clambered over the wreckage and Daddy and I and the big marshal, to They both protested that they could selves, of course, but by an agent who had withdrawn the wooden bar and size up the damage that had been handle two of me if necessary, and a would figure as a disinterested third flung the door wide. Daddy Hiram wrought, and beyond that, to dig into sling was quickly rigged and I was party-would be easy. Beasley said had called the turn and named the the mystery of the continuous grum- lowered into the pit. At the nearer that there had been some talk of an trump. The large, desperadoish-look- bling roar which was still ascending view thus obtained, some of the mys- underrunning drainage tunnel, such as

Blistering Heat, and the Prayer

line a dazzling, wavering ribbon of heated wind.

for Rain Goes Up.

faded blue; and then the dull haze of

smoke which hung over the land, and,

"Lonesome Land."

at Angels, and a little later had Beasley stayed with us, waiting, as would be doubled. Two alternatives all is the folks down yonder at "Tro- cuffing them with a celerity that was "Hooray!" he yelled, his voice hair stiffened on Barney's back. Next Just at that moment a submerging pla a-dreamin' about, to let all this truly admirable. And Beasley, him- sounding as if it came from the inside could suspend operations for the same side of the shaft-house, snapping the Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, profits when they should start up should have been tempted to tell him so nearly moribund that I didn't won- him, with choice epithets intermin- done eggs-zac'ly what he said he could

road and darted in among us to fling

dertaker wouldn't have been needed- or how little the big marshal knew of It may be a dastardly confession of not any whatsover, as Daddy Hiram | the various and muddled involvements gradually undermining my nerve. If "ticked" the top of the hoist frame Cinnabar dump head; but I do know Bullerton had made up his mind to and its downward course was deflect- that he quickly turned his captures us. It could be only a question of a ery, and not on our side of things, and off scene. While this was going

"I'm not hurt, either," I ventured We saw the belching column of to say, hoping that the brain storm nor hear must be going on. After a All of this I hastily pointed out to flame and gas going skyward beyond had subsided sufficiently to make me

to take his chance of staying upon had come from the mouth of a gigan- The look she gave me was just plain always have a high respect for the ened by the shock, and half choked let-blue eyes could do it, but they can.

Mr. Broughton," she said nippingly, "The shaft!" shrilled Daddy Hiram, and with a fairly tragical emphasis on do it. I hope you'll pardon me for be-

necks-like a double-headed turtle ly hidden under a mass of wreckage, deputy sheriff and marshal of Angels, the receding flood.

CHAPTER XVIII.

The Hold-Up.

"There ain't nary 'nother man in the step-I've a notion he had run out of "Where the blazes is all that water now a certainty for the very near fu-Timanyonis 'at can cuss like that. handcuffs, else he might have clapped | comin' from?" he exploded. layin' out Charley Bullerton's crowd!" ed his posse down to Atropia with the find out!" I barked. "Can you and the plotters. No doubt they had con-There was a fine little tableau captured raiders and their leader. Daddy handle my weight in a rope fidently assumed that a repurchase of

Fishes' Heads for Headaches.

A Freak Dinner.

in here and take a look at her. She's



'Hooray!" He Yelled. "Charley Bullerton's Dreened Your Mine for Ye!"

glimpse of the damage done by the in- dwindled somewhat, but yet hollowly speak, upon the fantastic structure. | which had followed the crash of the Only rumors of what had occurred tial thunderbolt. We saw it without audible, was still going on under the "I been lookin' 'round for you a explosion, and which still continued, at this visit reached Angels; but Beasany trouble; a great hole torn in the concealing mass of broken timbers right smart while," he told me gruffly, there was a good and sufficient reason ley could testify that my grandfather sheetiron roof directly over the hoist and sheet-iron, there was a masterful "When you get plum' over your laugh plainly visible from the pit's mouth, had come and returned alone, and that and effect of explosives pretty well, and hot curses told us that a fierce sashay over the hills f'r exercise, you eastern side of the shaft, a stream of been made he had seemed disposed to Daddy said that the bomb had gone off battle of some kind was staging itself can come along with me and go to jail water big enough to run a good-sized pocket his huge loss and to call it a hydro-electric plant was pouring into bad day's work. the perpendicular cavern, and it was | The later developments were not its plunging descent into the bowels hard to figure out. Beasley was able of the earth which was making the to tell us that the proposed railroad mimic thunder.

Man and Beast Suffer Alike Under prairie fires and fire guards and the tried to register themselves on the sell for a song rather than to venture direction of the wind, and of the faint day when I had my struggle with the again; and in this they were probably prospect of rain. Cattle, driven from suction-pipe octopus were instantly well within the truth, their accustomed feeding grounds, translated into facts. I could have But at the moment when they were Hot sunlight, winds as hot, as wandered aimlessly over the still-un- sworn, then, that there was a bottom ready to complete the circle of imshimmering heat which distorted ob- burned range and lowed often in the in the box, and there was a bottom. posture, death-the death of Grandjects at a distance and made the sky- night as they drifted before the flame. And that other impression—that I had father Jasper—had stepped in to comhere was the stream; a foot-thick, whoever was representing the robber without tempering the heat, turned It is the custom in China to pray never-failing cataract, pouring in syndicate, and by this means the plotthe sun into a huge coppery balloon for holy medicine. A patient must through a perfectly good and substant ters had learned that they would now

which drifted imperceptibly from the pay a visit to the temple and take tial conduit of twelve-inch iron pipe! have to reckon with an heir. How east to the west, and at evening time from the altar a tube containing num- In a flash the whole criminal mys- Bullerton came to be employed by settled softly down upon a parched bered sticks. He passes the tube over tery involving the ostensibly flooded them almost at the instant of his rehilltop and disappeared, leaving be- the incense several times until one of mine was illuminated for me. "Haul turn from South America we did not hind it an ominous red glow as of the sticks falls out. This is picked up away!" I called to the two above; know; but we could easily understand The Crash Came Almost Immediately. Midden fires, B. M. Bower writes in and the number on it is read. A cor- and when they had drawn me up to that with the new complication which responding slip containing a prescripthe the pit's mouth and I could get upon had risen by reason of Grandfather When the wind blew, the touch of it tion is then handed to him. As a my feet, I yipped at Daddy and the Jasper's death, it was highly necesseared the face, as the smoke tang as- treatment for apoplexy, serpents' liver | marshal to come on, and led them in | sary for some emissary of the syndizon drew steadily closer as the days for weak legs, and fishes' heads for of the swift little mountain torrent in tempt of the Dudley heirs to pry into

yond it, a small dark object with a came an obscure, formless blot against people will have pieces of flesh re- anyone in possession of the facts pre- sion to the final and property-destroy-In the middle of a small pool slightly Beasley was able to explain. upstream from the path level-a pock-

feet high, and a marble canal down Without a word, Daddy Hiram and you'd got done up trying to run him son, and tough it out the best we can." the slope which I have described as Men rode uneasily here and there, the center of the high table filled with the Angelic marshal plunged reckless- off." ly into the stream and with their bare

hands tore away the loose-rock dam. With the removal of the slight barrier and the consequent clearing of the course of the stream, the pocket reservoir immediately sucked dry, the inlet of the cataracting pipe was exposed, and the secret of the flooded Cinnabar was a secret no longer.

The scheme which had been elaborated and set in motion to "soak" Grandfather Jasper was a premeditated "holdup." The Cinnabar, in operation and producing to its capacity, was worth, so Beasley asserted, all that my grandfather had paid for it, BUSY AT VETERANS' BUREAU and more. But with the branch railroad built to its very door, its value Leon Fraser, Executive Officer, Has road, with its cost-reducing advantages, should come along; or they shut-down over against the increased

With our discoveries of the morning fectly plain. Some giant of finance

gave the holdup artists ample opport the bar examination, after which he tunity to prepare for the coup de main. practiced law. The action of the and the secret of them kept from leak- with the Order of the Silver Polls and ing out, still remained one of the un- a special citation from General Persolved mysteries, though Beasley sug- shing were just incidents of his wargested that probably imported work- time service. men were employed, and that the work | Col. Charles R. Forbes is Fraser's had been done under jealous super- boss now. When his colonel is away vision with all the needful precautions | Frazer is director of the Veterans' butaken against publicity. The tight reau, and as such tends to the destiwooden box-which would figure as a nies of thousands of wounded ex-solpart of the shaft lining-had been diers. The members of his Lee built, and into the box the creek had post thought so much of Fraser that been diverted by means of the small they have elected him vice comdam and the underground conduit, mander. With the water admitted, to rise in the box to the level of its intake in the creek reservoir, the trap was set TAYLOR WAS GOOD BAD MAN and was ready to be sprung.

Beyond this point there was a gap Former Bandit and Holdup Artist Put we were obliged to bridge by conjecture, but the inferences were all plausible enough, Doubtless the plotters had notified my grandfather that his mine was flooded and was no longer workable. Doubtless, again, he had bandit and holdup man, His activities authorized them to buy the needful along these lines pumping machinery and to install itwhich they did. In this barefaced imposture the plot-

ters had conceivably builded something upon Grandfather Jasper's ad- leave the prison a figure of speech. The thing that hit and bury me afterward," was all I bombs raining down I don't believe It was the super-climax of the enthe threat of them would have kept tire Arabian-Nights business, and be the greater part of the heavy wooden any too-searching investigation; but We were not given very much more us from bursting out of our dodge-hole cause my feelings would no longer be shaft-lining. A little of this remained beyond this they had carefully distime for discussion, or for anything to go and see what had happened in denied their rightful fling, I sat down in the upper part of the shaft, but armed any suspicion that he might else. The first faint graying dawn was the mine shaft. But before we could on the shaft-house doorstep and from a point possibly twenty-five feet otherwise have harbored by encouragcoming, and with the partial lighten- determine anything more than that shouted and laughed like a fool. But down, there was nothing but the bare ing him-in the actual purchase of the ing of the inner gloom, we craned our the mouth of the shaft was complete after all, it was Mr. Isaac Beasley, rock sides of the square pit swept by property—to take expert advice, and by craftly priming him, by underpeering out of its shell-and got a and that the mysterious Niagara roar, who put the weather-vane, so to As for the hollow roaring noise statements of the facts, to trust them.

branch to run to the new copper prop-Beasley was the first to find speech, erties in Little Cinnabar gulch was ture. Hence the time was fully ripe the property-not directly by themteries were instantly made clear. The Daddy and I had figured upon-this at reason why the wooden boxing disap- the time of the springing of the flood peared below a certain point in the trap-and that the cost had been estishaft was that it had never extended mated at half a million. Unquestion- "FREE EMBLEM OF FREEDOM" any farther down. It had been mere- ably the robbers had assumed that an ly a box with a bottom!—and all those old man who had already charged his pipe-dream impressions which had venture up to profit and loss would

encountered an inrushing stream of plicate matters. Somebody-possibly ice-cold water in the chilling depths; Cousin Percy-had corresponded with things they were not to be permitted

"Ye see, it was a case o' fish 'r cuteted bit of water neatly screened and hait and do it quick," the marshal ex-Freak dinners, says London Sketch, half hidden by a growth of low- plained. "If he could run you folks are no new invention; they are as branching spruces-we saw a cone- out, pronto, and get possession afore woods and try to make me b'lleve that

(TO BE CONTINUED.)



Had Broad Experience in Army and Business Life.

Looking after old members of the



brought him. grade by grade.

Taking its various steps in their or- Though he left the vice presidency der, the first move in the game was to of the Differential Steel company of this) was that the selling corporation varied. It started in Boston, wound should continue to operate the mine, its way through North Grambille, N. not as a lessee, but under a contract | Y., where he made his home for a by which the operating company short time, through Columbia univershould receive a certain percentage of sity, took him as a cub reporter on the output; an arrangement which the New York World, and safely passed How these preparations were made, French government in decorating him

His Knowledge to Good Use During War.

Joe Taylor was once an automobile

landed him in jail. Unlike many another criminal Taylor didn't with a vow to reovercame the ob-

stacles that were incident to his former record and

became a lecturer. His part in the war was one of the most dangerous. He put his knowledge of anarchists at the government's use. To stand on a street corner and refuse to lift your hat when the flag went by during war times took real nerve, but Taylor did it as part of his duty with the secret service. Through these and similar acts he got to know. those who plotted to blow up munition plants and waterways. This information was used to thwart poorchism and resulted in several carefully planned explosions never taking

No post of the Legion is so small or so bad off financially that Joe Taylor won't visit it and tell of his experiences. In and around New York Taylor's talk," "The Partnership Between Politics and Crime," is getting to be well known and a demand for his services has been created among

Washington State Americanism Director Would Liberate Eagles Now Held in Captivity.

"Freedom to our emblem of freedom," is the slogan of Dr. William C.



Wash., in urging In cantivity be released. Dr. Hicks, who is Americanism director of the Washington department of the has enlisted the aid of Legion posts, the Andu-

bon society and various patriotic organizations in his campalem. "The eagle was made for mountain

"As long as the bird typifies American freedom, it should be contrary to law to hold any of the species in cap-

Laws Benefit Ex-Service Men.

At the instigation of the American Legion, the New York legislature has passed several bills which benefit the ex-service man, Among them are: Preventing persons convicted of violating the selective draft act from holding public office; proposing a constitutional amendment to remove the inability of inmates of soldiers' and sailors home from voting; a bill providing for the recording of honorable discharges by county judges without payment of fees.